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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive meeting	

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Disarmament Commission

11:30 to 12:00	373rd plenary meeting	Conference Room 3
	Committee of the whole	
Followed by 13:00	374th plenary meeting	Conference Room 3
	Report of the Disarmament Commission to the General Assembly at its seventy-third session	
	Other business	
	Link: Disarmament Commission website	
	Contacts: Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org), Ms. Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) and Mr. Martin Vrastiak (List of Participants) (vrastiak@un.org)	

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

Working Group IV (Electronic Commerce)

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 1

International Law Commission

10:00 to 13:00	Briefing to Member States	Conference Room 6
	Secretariat briefing on the forthcoming session	
	Link: Website	
	Contact: Secretariat of the International Law Commission (ILC) (6thcommittee@un.org; 212-963-5331)	

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

11:00 to 13:00	1906th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 8
	The situation in Mali (MINUSMA)	
	Implementation Plan for Explosive Ordnance Disposal Manual	

Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 751 (1992) and 1907 (2009) concerning Somalia and Eritrea

15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5
	Midterm update by the Somalia and Eritrea Monitoring Group (SEMG)	

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Seventeenth session

10:00 to 13:00 — 9th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Follow-up to the outcome document of the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples - Item 11

Implementation of national action plans, strategies or other measures - Item 11 (a)

Ways to enhance the participation of indigenous peoples at the United Nations - Item 11 (b)

Implementation of the United Nations system-wide action plan on indigenous peoples - Item 11 (c)

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Document: E/C.19/2018/L.1

Links: Website, PaperSmart and e-deleGATE Portal

Contacts: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, Secretary of the UNPFII (sharma7@un.org); Mr. Victor Leu, Office of the Secretary of the UNPFII (leu@un.org); Mr. Gerard Cianciulli, for inquiries regarding the e-List of Speakers and e-List of Participants (cianciulli@un.org); Mr. Broddi Sigurdarson, UNPFII Secretariat, DESA (sigurdarson@un.org, 917-367-2106); or Ms. Mirian Masaquiza, UNPFII Secretariat, DESA (masaquiza@un.org, 917-367-9607); DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org) and PaperSmart (papersmart1@un.org)

15:00 to 18:00 — 10th plenary meeting (closed) — Conference Room 4

Dialogue with indigenous peoples - Item 5

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Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:30	Interactive dialogue [webcast]	Economic and Social Council Chamber
	Interactive Dialogue of the General Assembly on Harmony with Nature during the commemoration of International Mother Earth Day	
10:30	Opening segment	
11:15	Panel Discussion 1	
	Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 April 2018, 6 April 2018 and 18 April 2018 were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.	
15:00	Interactive dialogue [webcast]	Economic and Social Council Chamber
	Interactive Dialogue of the General Assembly on Harmony with Nature during the commemoration of International Mother Earth Day	
15:00	Panel discussion 2	
17:45	Wrap-up session	
	Closing segment	
	Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 3 April 2018, 6 April 2018 and 18 April 2018, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.	

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

09:00	83rd plenary meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall Overflow room: Conference Room 11
15:00	84th plenary meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall Overflow room: Conference Room 11

Peacebuilding and sustaining peace: draft resolution (A/72/L.49) - Item 65

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/262.

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should do so through the e-deleGATE Portal available at http://delegate.un.int.

Additional information is available on the website of the Office of the President of the General Assembly.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers, dated as follows: 21 November 2017, 15 December 2017, 7 March 2018, 2 April 2018, 13 April 2018 and 16 April 2018.

Wednesday, 25 April 2018

10:00	85th plenary meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall Overflow room: Conference Room 11
15:00	86th plenary meeting [webcast]	General Assembly Hall Overflow room: Conference Room 11

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Document: A/72/L.49

Tuesday, 24 April 2018

15:00	Interactive dialogue [webcast]	Conference Room 4 Overflow room: Conference Room 11
15:00	Interactive dialogue 1	
16:35	Interactive dialogue 2	

The President of the General Assembly will convene a high-level meeting on peacebuilding and sustaining peace, in accordance with General Assembly resolution A/RES/70/262.

Delegations wishing to register their interest to speak are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch, Ms. Mary Muturi (muturi@un.org; 212-963-5322).

Additional information is available on the website of the Office of the President of the General Assembly.

Letters from the President of the General Assembly, dated 23 March 2018, 2 April 2018, 16 April 2018 and 19 April 2018 were sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Wednesday, 25 April 2018

10:00 Interactive dialogue [webcast] Conference Room 4
Overflow room: Conference Room 11

10:00 Interactive dialogue 3

11:35 Interactive dialogue 4

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Committee on Conferences

Organizational session for 2018

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 5

Election of officers - Item 2

Adoption of the agenda for the organizational session for 2018 - Item 3

Adoption of the agenda and dates for the substantive session of 2018 - Item 6

To elect the Bureau for 2018 and adopt the annotated provisional agenda for the substantive session of 2018.

For the list of documents, please see "Links".

In accordance with the procedure established by the Committee, non-members who wish to participate as observers in the organizational session are invited to send a request in writing to its secretariat.

Documents: A/AC.172/2018/L.1, A/54/32 (Supp) and A/56/32 (Supp)

Link: Website

Contacts: Ms. Xin Tong-Maywald (tongx@un.org); Ms. Maria Grazia Bovo (maria.bovo@un.org)

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL)

Working Group III (Investor-State Dispute Settlement Reform)

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 35 of the UNCITRAL Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 23 April 2018 to Friday, 27 April 2018

Working Group VI (Security Interests)

Monday, 30 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 33 of the UNCITRAL Working Group VI (Security Interests) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 30 April 2018 to Friday, 4 May 2018

Working Group V (Insolvency Law)

Monday, 7 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Session 53 of the UNCITRAL Working Group V (Insolvency Law) will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 7 May 2018 to Friday, 11 May 2018.

International Law Commission

Monday, 30 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Opening meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

For more information, please visit the website of the International Law Commission, or contact the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs.

Document: A/RES/72/116

Link: Website

Contact: Secretariat of the International Law Commission (ILC) (6thcommittee@un.org; 212-963-5331)

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-eighth session

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

The seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Contributions will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2018.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2018*.

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245.

Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the secretariat of the Committee for further information (405 East 42nd Street, S-2115; tel. 212-963-4975; fax 212-963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Twelfth session

Monday, 23 April 2018

11:00 to 13:00	High-level meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 3
	Organizational Committee	
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations	Conference Room 11
	Country-specific Configuration on Central African Republic	

Security Council

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on "Youth, peace and security" under the agenda item "Maintenance of international peace and security" (S/2018/324).

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org), starting on Wednesday, 18 April 2018, at 09:30. Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Office of the President of the Security Council, Room S-2472, or e-mailed to

dpa-scsb3@un.org. For queries, please call (212) 963-5258. For more information, please visit the website of the Presidency of the Security Council (*click here*).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Forum on financing for development follow-up Trusteeship Council Chamber

The Forum will have universal, intergovernmental participation, utilizing the modalities of participation of the international conferences on financing for development.

Additional information is available on the website of the Financing for Development Office.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE. Inscriptions on the list of speakers will close by 13:00, on 20 April 2018.

The time limit set for statements is *five minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *three minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Council.

To circulate statements electronically, see PaperSmart link.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives and alternates attending this event should be registered through the ECOSOC e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

All delegations are reminded to submit their nominations for participation in the round tables, as soon as possible, to the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website and http://www.un.org/esa/ffd/ffdforum/2018-ffd-forum.html

Contacts: Office of the ECOSOC Secretary, DGACM: alejandrino@un.org; FFDO DESA: Ms. Anjali Rangaswami (ministerial participation); Mr. Tim Hilger (round tables participation): rangaswami@un.org and hilger@un.org

Tuesday, 1 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Plenary segment [webcast] Economic and social Council Chamber

Integration segment - Item 8

Additional information on the integration segment is available on the website of the Council.

Requests for inscription on the list of speakers should be submitted through the ECOSOC e-Speakers module in e-deleGATE.

The time limit set for statements is *seven minutes* for speakers on behalf of groups and *five minutes* for statements by individual delegations.

Intergovernmental organizations and the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers should send, in writing, the full name and title of the speaker to the Office of the Secretary of the Council.

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Links: PaperSmart, e-deleGATE Portal, Website and https://www.un.org/ecosoc/en/node/3613435

Contact: ECOSOC Affairs Branch, DGACM (olvida@un.org)

Committee of Experts on Public Administration

Monday, 23 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 1

Session 17 of the Committee of Experts on Public Administration will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 23 to Friday, 27 April 2018.

Member States, non-Member States, observers, United Nations agencies, funds and programmes and Regional Commissions wishing to attend as observers are encouraged to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat in advance of the session by registering online. Representatives from all regions of the world are welcome to attend the session.

Documents: E/C.16/2018/1, E/C.16/2018/2, E/C.16/2018/3, E/C.16/2018/4, E/C.16/2018/5, E/C.16/2018/6 and E/C.16/2018/7

Links: Registration, NGOs, Website and PaperSmart

Contacts: Mr. Patrick Spearing, Secretary of the Committee (spearing@un.org) and Ms. Adriana Ribeiro, for inquiries regarding registration, conference support and logistics (ribeiroa@un.org)

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme/
United Nations Population Fund/
United Nations Office for Project Services

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

UNDP work plan of engagement with the Executive Board

Briefing on the Integrated Results and Resources Framework (IRRF) Methodology and Approach (EB Decision 2017/30 OP7)

All member and observer delegations are invited to attend.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 18 April 2018

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Intergovernmental Conference on an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

Organizational meeting

[archived video]

5th plenary meeting

Closure of the meeting - Item 9

The President of the Conference, Her E .cellency Rena Lee, Ambassador for Oceans and Law of the Sea Issues and Special Envoy of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of Singapore, delivered an oral summary of the meeting.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Algeria (on behalf of the African Group), the European Union, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Nauru (on behalf of the Pacific Small Island Developing States), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), Maldives (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States), Chile and the Dominican Republic.

The Secretary of the Meeting and Director of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea made an announcement.

The President closed the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

[archived video]

19th meeting

Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits - Item 11

Implementation of General Assembly resolutions 50/227, 52/12 B, 57/270 B, 60/265, 61/16, 67/290 and 68/1 - Item 13

The Council began its joint consideration of agenda items 11 and 13.

Introduction of the reports

The Chair of the Committee on World Food Security (Dominican Republic), presented the report of the Committee (A/73/69-E/2018/47).

The Coordinator of the United Nations System Standing Committee on Nutrition presented the report of the Standing Committee (E/2018/11).

General discussion

Statements were made by the representatives of Ecuador, the Sudan, Germany and El Salvador.

A statement was also made by the representative of the World Health Organization.

The Chair of the Committee on World Food Security and the Coordinator of the United Nations System Standing Committee on Nutrition responded to the comments made and questions posed by delegations.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines), the Council took note of the reports under agenda item 11 (A/73/69-E/2018/47 and E/2018/11) (decision 2018/221).

The Council thus concluded its consideration of item 13.

Economic and environmental questions: Environment - Item 18 (e)]

The Council began its consideration of the item.

Introduction of the report

The Director of the New York Liaison Office of the United Nations Environment Programme presented the report of the United Nations Environment Assembly (A/73/25).

General discussion

A statement was made by the representative of El Salvador and the Director of the New York Liaison Office of the United Nations Environment Programme responded.

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President, the Council took note of the report (A/73/25) (decision 2018/222).

The Council thus concluded its consideration of item 18 (e).

Economic and environmental questions: International cooperation in tax matters - Item 18 (h)

The Council began its consideration of the item.

Action on the recommendation contained in chapter IV of the report of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (E/2018/45)

The Council adopted the draft decision (decision 2018/223).

Oral decision

On the proposal of the Vice-President, the Council took note of the report (E/2018/45) (decision 2018/224).

Economic and environmental questions: Geospatial information - Item 18 (i)

The Council began its consideration of the item.

Action on the recommendation contained in chapter I of the report of the Committee of Experts on Global Geospatial Information Management (E/2017/46)

The Council adopted the draft decision (decision 2018/225).

The Council thus concluded its consideration of item 18 (i).

Economic and environmental questions: Assistance to third States affected by the application of sanctions - Item 18 (l)

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Vice-President made a statement.

The Council thus concluded its consideration of item 18 (l).

Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters - Item 2

The Council resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft decision E/2018/L.7

The Council was informed that the draft decision contained no programme budget implications.

The Council adopted the draft decision (decision 2018/226).

Organization of work

The Vice-President made a statement and concluded the April coordination and management meeting of the 2018 session of the Council.

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues
Seventeenth session

[archived video]

5th meeting

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples with regards to indigenous human rights defenders - Item 10

The Forum began its consideration of agenda item 10 and heard introductory statements by the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Under-Secretary-General and Special Advisor of the Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide, and the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights.

Interactive discussion

An interactive discussion ensued, during which the Special Rapporteur and other speakers responded to questions raised and comments made by the following members of the Permanent Forum: Mr. Jens Dahl, Ms. Lourdes Tiban Guala and Mr. Gervais Nzoa.

The following Member States represented by observers also participated in the interactive discussion: Mexico, Canada, the Russian Federation, Guatemala, Chile, the United States, the Philippines, Spain, Australia, Peru and Brazil.

The observer for the European Union and the representative of the International Labour Organization (ILO) also participated in the interactive discussion.

The representatives of the following indigenous organizations also participated: Auschwitz Institute for Peace and Reconciliation; Ika Voyaging Trust; Finnish Saami Youth Organization; State of Utah Dine Bikeyah; Congrès Mondial Amazigh; Coordinacion y Convergencia Maya – Guatemala; Mancomunidad de Comunidades Rio Beni, Quiquibey y Tuichi of Bolivia; Ogaden Youth and Students Union of Ethiopia; People of Long House of Canada; International Indian Treaty Council; Amazigh Caucus; Maori Law Society of New Zealand; Coalition of Indigenous Peoples; New South Wales Aboriginal Land Council of Australia; and Univata Tribal People of Brazil;

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

6th meeting

Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the rights of indigenous peoples and the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples with regards to indigenous human rights defenders [item 10]

The Forum continued its consideration of agenda item 10, and heard statements by the Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, and the Chair of the Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

General discussion

Mr. Jens Dahl and Ms. Anne Nuorgam, members of the Permanent Forum, made statements.

Statements were made by the following Member States represented by observers: Finland (on behalf of the Nordic countries), Mexico, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, the Philippines and Japan.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the following indigenous organizations: ECUARUNARI of Ecuador; First People of the Kalahari; Associacao Dos Povos Indigenas Karipuna of Brazil; Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact; Crimean Tatar Youth Center; Indigenous Peoples Organization of Australia; Saami Parliament in Finland; Global Indigenous Youth Caucus; Endorois Welfare Council; Parliamento Rapa Nui; Coalition on the Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples; Comisión de Juristas Indígenas en la República Argentina; Congress of Aboriginal Peoples of Canada; Consejo Regional Indígena del Medio Amazonas; Organización de Pueblos Indígenas de la Amazonia Colombiana; Mohawk Language Custodians Association; Associacao Xavante Wara of Brazil; Metis Settlements General Council of Canada; TONATIERRA; Indigenous World Association; Confederación Indígena Tayrona of Colombia; AIM WEST – International Leonard Peltier Defense Committee; Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios Aymara; Congrès Mondial Amazigh, and the Federation of Sovereign Indigenous Nations of Canada.

The Chair of the Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Chair-Rapporteur of the Working Group on the use of mercenaries as a means of violating human rights and impeding the exercise of the right of peoples to self-determination, the Chair of the Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, and the Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples responded to comments made and questions raised from the floor.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Thursday, 19 April 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8238th meeting

Identical letters dated 19 January 2016 from the Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council (S/2016/53)

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia (S/2018/279)

The Council observed a minute of silence in tribute to His Excellency Ambassador Bernard Tanoh-Boutchoué, Permanent Representative of Côte d'Ivoire to the United Nations, who had passed away suddenly on the previous day.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Colombia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Jean Arnault, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Verification Mission in Colombia, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Mr. Arnault.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, China, Ethiopia, the United States, Kazakhstan, France, Sweden, the Russian Federation, the Netherlands, Côte d'Ivoire, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kuwait, Poland and Equatorial Guinea, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Peru.

The Council heard a statement by His Excellency Óscar Adolfo Naranjo Trujillo, Vice-President of the Republic of Colombia.

8239th meeting

The situation in Liberia

Final progress report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations Mission in Liberia (S/2018/344)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representative of Liberia to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Mr. Alexander Zouev, Assistant Secretary-General for Rule of Law and Security Institutions, Department of Peacekeeping Operations and Mr. Chid Liberty, Liberty and Justice, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Security Council began its consideration of the item and adopted a statement by the President on behalf of the Council (S/PRST/2018/8).

The Council heard briefings by Mr. Zouev, Ambassador Irina Schoulgin Nyoni, Deputy Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations, on behalf of the Chair of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission, and Mr. Liberty.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, Poland, Côte d'Ivoire, Ethiopia, Sweden, France, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, China, Equatorial Guinea, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands; and the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of Peru.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Liberia.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee for Programme and Coordination

Fifty-eighth session

Organizational session

1st meeting (closed) — The summary of the 1st meeting of the Committee for Programme and Coordination will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/78).

Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues

Seventeenth session

[archived video]

7th-8th plenary meetings — The summary of the 7th and 8th plenary meetings of the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2018/78).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 71/323, material published under the sections below is available in *English* and *French only*.

Other meetings

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Friday, 20 April 2018

International Criminal Court: Working Group on Amendments

11:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 12

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Forthcoming other meetings

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Forum discussion on "Gender-inclusive communication in Spanish, challenges and opportunities" (on the occasion of the Spanish Language Day) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Paraguay (on behalf of the Group of Friends of Spanish) and the Language and Communications Programme, in cooperation with Observatorio de la Lengua Española y las Culturas Hispánicas en los Estados Unidos and Instituto Cervantes)

Monday, 23 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 6

Contact: Ms. Ana Sandoval Espinola (anasandoval.py@gmail.com; 212-687-3490).

High-level roundtable on Security Sector Reform (SSR) and Sustaining Peace (A/RES/70/304) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Slovakia and South Africa (on behalf of the Group of Friends of Security Sector Reform))

Monday, 23 April 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Contact: Mr. Stefan Stanko (stazista.smnewyork1@mzv.sk)

High-Level Technical Briefing on the Global Report on Food Crises (A/RES/70/262 and S/RES/2282) (co-organized by the Delegation of the European Union, the Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands and the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Zambia, as well as FAO and WFP on behalf of the Food Security Information Network (FSIN))

Wednesday, 25 April 2018

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 12

Registration

Contact: Mr.Julius Kaess (julius.kaess@wfp.org; 646-556-6903)

Event entitled "The Role of Education in Peace Building and Sustaining Peace" (S/RES/2282) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica and the University for Peace)

Thursday, 26 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 5

Contact: Ms. Rita El Zaghloul (rzaghloul@misioncronu.org)

Interactive discussion around the World Public Sector Report 2018, entitled "Working together: Integration, institutions and the Sustainable Development Goals" (A/RES/70/6) (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Division for Public Administration and Development Management)

Thursday, 26 April 2018

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 1

More info

Contacts: Mr. David Lung'aho (lungaho@un.org; 917-367-3998)

International Conference on Health and Environment: Global Partners for Global Solutions "Sustainable Energy: Legacy of Chornobyl" (A/71/L.28) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ukraine and the World Information Transfer)

Friday, 27 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 4

Contact: Mr. Vitalii Bilan (vitalii.bilan@mfa.gov.ua; 212-759-7003)

Panel discussion entitled "From News Literacy to 'Newsgames': Conversations Celebrating World Press Freedom Day" (on the occasion of 2018 World Press Freedom Day) (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

Thursday, 3 May 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 6

Contact: Ms. Nuha Hamarsha (nuhah@unops.org; 929-274-6217)

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